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MONITORING AND PROCESSING OF INFORMATION FROM FOREIGN
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEDIA

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Pursuant to Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, Executive Order 11905-12030 and National Security Council Intelligence Directives, policies and procedures are hereby established to ensure coordinated and effective use of intelligence resources for monitoring and processing of information from foreign public information media in accordance with intelligence objectives and priorities established by the Director of Central Intelligence.

1. *Definitions*

Monitoring—The intercept, recording and transcription of verbal and pictorial press information and data transmitted electromagnetically via radio and television or published and disseminated in printed form.

Processing—The selection and translation of materials appearing in foreign radio and television broadcasts, press transmissions and publications; the preparation of abstracts, extracts or summaries of specific information from a variety of such sources; the use of special approaches and techniques to derive or synthesize information required and available from such sources; and the preparation of annotated bibliographies of publications and indexes of monitored materials.

Foreign Public Information Media—Foreign public radio and television broadcasts, foreign press services and foreign publications.

2. *Services of common concern*

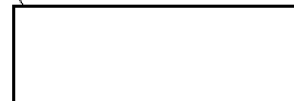
The Central Intelligence Agency, as a service of common concern, shall:

a. Conduct the monitoring and processing of information from foreign public information media as required for the collection of foreign intelligence information to meet the needs of all departments, and agencies.

b. Coordinate this service with similar and supplementary activities conducted by other government departments and agencies in response to special departmental requirements.

c. Publish and disseminate to the several departments and agencies that have an appropriate interest therein the results of the monitoring and processing of information from foreign public information media using electrical transmission or other means as warranted.

¹ This directive supersedes DCID No. 2/4 effective 25 July 1963.



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3. *Intelligence Community responsibilities*

Intelligence Community organizations shall:

- a. Advise CIA through established requirements channels of their information needs to which monitoring of foreign public information media could respond.
- b. Keep CIA advised of any departmental activities in the monitoring and processing of information from foreign public information media and of other monitoring activities that provide access to the content of foreign public information media.
- c. Assist CIA in the monitoring of foreign public information media when, in the conduct of monitoring operations for other purposes, access is provided to such media, provided such assistance does not impair the primary mission of the monitoring activity.

George Bush
Director of Central Intelligence